GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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NATIONAL HIGHWAY -28
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of the National Highway No. 28 from Gorakhpur, Damariaghat, Piprakothi and the other from Chapra via Siwan to Gopalganj is not traffic working out to dilapidation;

(b) if so, the reasons for not undertaking timely repairs and relaying of the national highways like the national highways Nos. 1 and 2; and

(c) the time by which the condition of the said highways will be improved ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD) KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a): Gorakhpur-Damarighat-Piprakothi section ofNational Highway No. 28and Chapra-Siwan -Gopalganj on National Highways No. 85 are generally being maintained in traffic worthy condition through the State PWDs, within available resources. U.P./Bihar border - Gopalganj section had, however, suffered severe damages due to submergence in a length of about 3 km during recent unprecedented floods causing disruption of traffic which has since been restored.

(b)&(c): Immediate repairs have been carried out and estimates for restoration of the flood damages on National Highway No. 28 and National Highway No. 85 have been sanctioned for an amount of Rs.92.94 lakhs. Further, Gorakhpur- Muzaffarpur Section ofNational Highway No. 28 is proposed to be developed to 4 -lane standards like NH-1 and NH-2, beingpart of East-West Corridor of National Highway Development Project which is targeted for completion by December, 2007.